

REMARKS

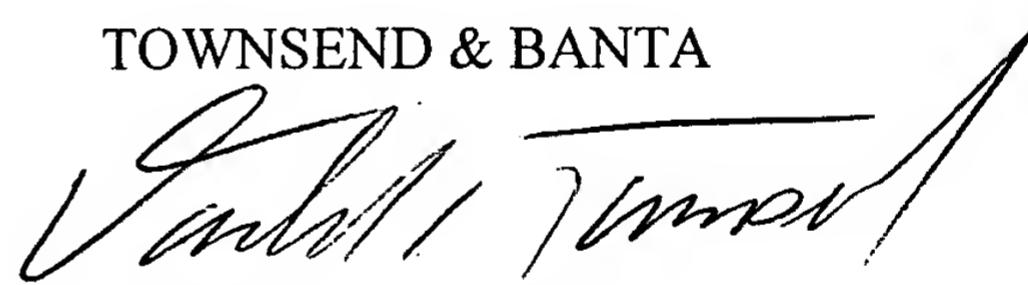
Claims 5 and 6 have been cancelled and Claim 1 amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claims 5 and 6. Also, the dependency of Claim 7 has been changed from Claim 6 to Claim 1.

Since the subject matter of Claims 6 and 7 has been indicated as being allowable over the prior art of record if these claims were combined with the claims upon which they depend, it is believed that the claims now in the case are in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and early action and allowance thereof is accordingly respectfully requested. In the event there is any reason why the application cannot be allowed at the present time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the number listed below to resolve any problems.

Respectfully submitted

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